

Application No. 09/253,638  
Paper dated December 3, 2003  
In Reply to USPTO Correspondence of June 3, 2003  
Attorney Docket No. 1217-990257

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/253,638  
Applicants : Keisuke OGURO et al.  
Filed : February 19, 1999  
Title : PROCESS FOR PRODUCING POLYMERIC ACTUATORS  
Group Art Unit : 1713  
Examiner : Fred Zitomer  
Confirmation No. : 5855

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on June 3, 2003 and the period set for response was 3 months, bringing the response to be due on September 3, 2003. Therefore, a three-month extension of time will bring the response due on December 3, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 3, 2003.

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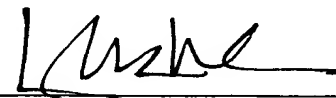
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The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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